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Ministerial message

I invite you to have your say on the biggest change in the delivery of health and social care in a generation. ‘Transforming Your Care: Vision to Action’ presents a model built around delivering the right care, in the right place and at the right time.

We will build a system that allows you to access services nearer to home and to be cared for at home. New technology will enable more people to receive care locally. Doctors, nurses, social workers and all care providers working together will be able to act earlier, meaning you will be less likely to have to go to hospital. We will shape a healthcare model that is centred on you and is sustainable into the future.

I am sending this leaflet to every household in Northern Ireland because I believe it is important that everyone has the chance to have their voice heard.

Edwin Poots MLA,
Minister for Health, Social Services and Public Safety.

What is Transforming Your Care?

‘Transforming Your Care’ – A Review of Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland was published in December 2011. It is a report that highlights the need for change so that we can meet everyone’s needs in the future. The report says that people are living longer and that, as a result, the demand for health and social care services will increase. The proposed new ways of providing services, that make better use of the resources available, will ensure we can deliver safe, high quality, sustainable services now and into the future. A public consultation on ‘Transforming Your Care – Vision to Action’ ends on 15th January 2013.

Why it matters

As we all use health and social care services - this matters to us all or will do in the future. We are consulting on a range of proposals in all areas of health and social care: from maternity and child health through to services for older people and those with long term conditions and we want to hear your views.

What people are saying

Telemonitoring

County Antrim pensioner Michael Howard who suffers from shortness of breath, says:

“Taking my pulse, blood pressure, temperature and blood glucose readings at home every day by remote telemonitoring is so simple. Without this service I’d be running back and forward to the GP's surgery to have things checked out.”

More services provided locally

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Supported living

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“After a fall in my home, I’m very happy to have carers to come four times a day to assist me in my daily living. Having a personal alarm makes me feel much safer now.”

Family Nurse Partnership Programme

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